NOTICE OF PROTEST HEARING FOR LAFCO 2994--REORGANIZATION TO INCLUDE HI-DESERT WATER DISTRICT ANNEXATIONS (ANNEXATION PROJECT 2005)

Notice is hereby given that a Protest Hearing will be held by the Executive Officer of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) of San Bernardino County. The hearing will be held in the LAFCO office located at 175 West Fifth Street, Second Floor, San Bernardino, California 92415-0490, on **Thursday, March 16, 2006, at 2:00 p.m.**, to hear and receive any oral or written protests, objections, or evidence which are made, presented, or filed regarding LAFCO 2994.

The reorganization area consists of four separate annexation areas encompassing approximately 3,539+/- acres as follows: Area #1 encompasses approximately 3,200+/- acres and consists of all or portions of Sections 27 and 28 and 31 to 34, Township 1 North, Range 5 East, and a portion of Section 6, Township 1 South, Range 5 East, generally north and south of Yucca Trail and west of Mohawk Avenue. This area includes lands within and outside the Town of Yucca Valley and is bisected by Pioneertown Road in a northwesterly direction. Area #2 encompasses approximately 210+/- acres and consists of a portion of Section 26, Township 1 North, Range 5 East, generally west of Old Woman Springs Road (CA-247) and south of Ridge View Road, within the Town of Yucca Valley. Area #3 encompasses approximately 9+/- acres within the northeast quarter of Section 14, Township 1 South, Range 5 East, generally south of San Andreas Road and west of the natural extension of Sage Avenue, within the southern portion of the Town of Yucca Valley. Area #4 encompasses approximately 120+/- acres in the south half of Section 18, Township 1 South, Range 6 East, generally west of Warren Vista Avenue, south of the natural extension of Santa Barbara Drive. The territory is located east and west of the natural southerly extension of Dulce Avenue in the southern portion of the Town of Yucca Valley. The reorganization area is more specifically described in the legal description and maps which can be accessed below:

Click here to view the legal description.

Click here to view the reorganization vicinity map.

Click here to view Sheet 1 of the reorganization area map.

Click here to view Sheet 2 of the reorganization area map.

Click here to view Sheet 3 of the reorganization area map.

Click here to view Sheet 4 of the reorganization area map.

Proceedings for this reorganization were initiated by the Board of Directors of the Hi-Desert Water District and submitted to LAFCO. This proposal has been assigned the short-form designation of LAFCO 2994.

The proposed terms and conditions for this reorganization are set forth in LAFCO Resolution No. 2907 adopted by the Commission on January 18, 2006, which is available for review in the LAFCO office located at the above address.

The reasons for this proposal are: (1) to provide watershed protection to Areas #1 and #2; (2) to include the territory of Area #3 within the District for the development of additional water storage facilities; and (3) to provide retail water service to a five-lot subdivision (Tract 14722) approved by the Town of Yucca Valley in 1994.

Any owner of land within the territory proposed to be reorganized may file an official protest. Such protest must be made in writing and submitted to the LAFCO office prior to the conclusion of the

hearing. The written protest must include your name, address, address of the land owned within the affected area if different from your residence, Assessor Parcel Number and LAFCO number. The written protest must be dated. Any protest without a date, bearing a date prior to the date of publication of this notice, or submitted after the conclusion of the hearing, shall be disregarded for purposes of ascertaining the value of any written protests. Protest cannot be accepted by fax.

Any registered voter residing within the territory proposed to be reorganized may file an official protest. Such protest must be made in writing and submitted to the LAFCO office prior to the conclusion of the hearing. The written protest must include your name and address as they appear on the affidavit of registration and the LAFCO number. The written protest must be dated. Any protest without a date, bearing a date prior to the date of publication of this notice, or submitted after the conclusion of the hearing, shall be disregarded for purposes of ascertaining the value of any written protests. Protest cannot be accepted by fax.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice, please contact the LAFCO office at (909) 387-5866.

Dated: February 22, 2006

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION KATHLEEN ROLLINGS-McDONALD, Executive Officer

BY: DEBBY CHAMBERLIN, Clerk to the Commission